

CLAIMS

1. A method of communicating video information as the video information changes from one frame to another, comprising:
 - a. analyzing pixel values within a current block of the video frame information to determine pixel value frame change;
 - b. testing:
 - (i) whether a frame change in pixel value for any one of the pixels in the block exceeds a first threshold, and
 - (ii) whether a second threshold number of pixels in the block exceeds in pixel value a third threshold, and
 - c. if the conditions of either step b. i. or step b. ii. exceed the thresholds described, then communicating information identifying the pixel values within the block.
2. A method according to claim 1, further comprising:
 - d. if both conditions of steps b. i. and b. ii. fail to exceed the thresholds described, then communicating a no change condition in the current block.
3. A method according to claim 2, wherein:
 - the communicated no change condition comprises communicating nothing regarding the current block; and
 - decoding the video information by writing current blocks for which nothing is communicated as unchanged compared to a corresponding block in a previous frame.